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Infectious diseases.

For the week ended June 15, 1905, the following reports were officially registered:

Smallpox.—There were reported 6 cases in 2 communes in the province of Lecce; 29 cases at Catania, and 17 cases in 7 communes of the province of Catania; 5 cases in the province of Cosenza; 4 cases in the province of Palermo. Cases were reported in the provinces of Chieti, Avellino, and Benevento.

Measles.—Epidemics are reported in the provinces of Cuneo and Novara.

Scarlatina.—The malady is prevalent in 2 communes of the province of Girgenti.

Diphtheria.—Cases are reported in the provinces of Aquila and Arezzo.

Cerebro-spinal meningitis.—Sporadic cases are reported in several provinces.

The number of cases of infectious diseases in Italy for the year 1904 was as follows: Measles, 97,916; scarlatina, 12,960; smallpox, 13,322; enteric fever, 45,768; typhus fever, 112; diphtheria, 19,727; puerperal fever, 3,002; pulmonary tuberculosis, 6,471; malarial diseases, 266,940; pellagra, 1,829; hydrophobia, 61; anthrax, 3,104, and glanders, 36.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Inspection of vessels—Plague in Tokyo and vicinity—Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, June 3 as follows:

During the week ended May 27, 1905, 1 vessel was inspected prior to issuance of bill of health.

From a quarantine standpoint, sanitary conditions in Yokohama show no noteworthy change.

The plague situation in Tokyo shows no tendency toward amelioration, but on the contrary new cases are occurring and the number of foci of infection is increasing. From April 18 to May 30, 1905, the total number of cases of the disease reported in Tokyo is 8, of which 6 have terminated fatally. In addition there have been 1 or 2 doubtful cases.

On May 29 a plague death occurred in Chiba Ken, the prefecture adjoining Tokyo on the east. The victim had been recently residing in the Fukagawa district of Tokyo, where, no doubt, he contracted the infection.

Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Doric* recommended, June 3, for rejection: For Honolulu, 19; for San Francisco, 1.

MEXICO.

Report from Tampico—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Mortuary statistics—Malarial fevers—Improved water supply.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick reports, June 26, as follows:

Week ended June 24, 1905: Bills of health issued, 9; steamships inspected and passed, 7; steamships fumigated and passed, 2; person-